

**b.) Amendments**

**In the Specification**

On page 4, please amend the sentence beginning on line 7 as follows:

“A pleiotrophin binding site of the pleiotrophin-receptor protein ~~PTN~~ALK is preferably between amino acid sequence positions 368 and 447, with the actual contact site between amino acid sequence positions 391 and 401.”

On page 14, please amend the sentence beginning on line 8 as follows:

“Preferably, the portion of the pleiotrophin-receptor protein comprises the pleiotrophin-binding region such as, amino acids 368-447 or 391-401 of ~~PTN~~ALK.”

These amendments to the Specification are to correct typographical errors, and do not add new matter. Support for these amendments can be found throughout the Specification. For example, page 8, lines 25-26 and page 7, lines 26 to page 8, line 2 of the Specification.